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Emily Berry - FW: Comments on the Application by Red Leaf Resources for Large Mining Operation Permit

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From: Newhall, John

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To: 'ddean@utah.gov'

Subject: Comments on the Application by Red Leaf Resources for Large Mining Operation Permit

Please find below comments from Congressman Bishop, let us know if there is anything else we can help you with.

Best,

John Newhall Congressman Bishop (UT-01) 202-225-0453

November 28, 2011

Via Electronic Mail (ddean@utah.gov)

Ms. Dana Dean, P.E.
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Re: Comments on the Application by Red Leaf Resources for Large Mining Operation Permit

Dear Ms. Dean.

I am writing to encourage full consideration of the application submitted by Red Leaf Resources for a Large Mining Operation Permit. I have long advocated for the prudent development of America's energy resources and I appreciate Utah's contribution to making our country more energy independent. I believe that development of oil shale can and should be a key part of that effort and an important facet of our energy future.

Utah is fortunate to have vast reserves of oil shale and I applaud efforts by leaders and entities in the state to

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pursue development: I'm confident that the commercialization of this resource can create local jobs, provide funding for Utah schools, and make us more energy secure as a nation.

While I am not familiar with all the details of this application and am glad the permitting decision is left up to leaders like you in the state, I did want you to know of my support in general for the development of oil shale. I appreciate you considering the application and basing your decision on its merits.

Thank you for your service to our state.

Sincerely,

Congressman Rob Bishop